

Amendments to the Claims:

This claim listing will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Claim Listing:

1. (Currently amended) An isolated or recombinant nucleotide sequence ~~gene~~ encoding a protein ~~essentially consisting in~~ having the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2.
2. (Currently amended) A ~~The isolated or recombinant nucleotide sequence~~ ~~gene~~ according to claim 1, said ~~gene~~ isolated or recombinant nucleotide sequence being from a human species ~~selected from the group consisting of human, mouse, rat and yeast.~~
3. (Currently amended) An isolated protein ~~essentially consisting in~~ having the amino acid sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2.
4. (Currently amended) A ~~The isolated~~ protein according to claim 3, said protein being from a human species ~~selected from the group consisting of human, mouse, rat and yeast.~~
5. (Cancelled)
6. (Currently amended) A method ~~of gene therapy for increasing the transcription of a gene,~~ which comprises ~~the use of a gene expressing the isolated or recombinant nucleotide sequence according to claim 1,~~ thereby increasing the transcription of said gene ~~as a promoter for overexpressing a gene in a suitable tissue.~~
7. (Cancelled)
- 8 and 9. (Cancelled)
10. (New) The isolated or recombinant nucleotide sequence according to claim 1, said isolated or recombinant nucleotide sequence having the nucleotide sequence as set forth in SEQ ID NO: 1.
11. (New) A method for treating neoplastic disorders, said method comprising inhibiting the expression of a gene encoding the polypeptide having the amino acid set forth in SEQ ID NO: 2.